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The Daily Press.
HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VŒUX ROAD CL.
LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.
HONGKONG, 19th December, 1901.

THE anticipated opposition in the United States Senate to the Isthmian Canal Treaty has turned out to be less serious than was imagined. The most pessimistic prophets warned us to look for the possibility of the Anglophobes in the Upper House being able to wreck the Bill and thus delay the Canal negotiations indefinitely. Such expectations fortunately have proved to be entirely unfounded. By a majority of sixty-six votes the new HAY-PANOFOTE Treaty has been ratified. As the full number of the United States Senate is ninety, it appears that twelve members either abstained from voting or were not present; but a seven-ninths majority of the whole House has declared itself in favour of the new agreement, and thus the action of the Lower House and the declaration of the President have been most emphatically endorsed. No doubt some critics will be found at home to maintain that Great Britain has sacrificed certain interests to oblige the Republic. But, still lacking as we do the full terms of the Treaty, we do not find from the telegraphic summaries which have reached us that any unreasonable concessions have been made by the British Government. It is not to be denied that the States have a greater concern in the Canal than ourselves, even though we undoubtedly come second in our interest in such a scheme. The rapid signature of the Treaty and its unexpectedly quick passage through the two Houses of the United States Legislature can but be looked on as the happiest omen of the relations between President ROOSEVELT's administration and the British Government. To us in the Far East such a strengthening of the Anglo-American bond must be welcomed even more unreservedly than elsewhere. Hence the satisfactory close of negotiations and the speedy prospect of an inter-oceanic canal is a matter for deep rejoicing.

The French mail of the 18th ult. was delivered in London on the 17th instant.

The French cruiser *Descartes* arrived from Woosung on Tuesday night. The Portuguese gunboat *Zaire* left yesterday for Macao.

We call our readers' attention to the notice in another column about the closing of entries for the Taihoo Sports on the 21st instant.

Vice-Admiral Sir Cyprian Bridge, K.C.B., paid a visit of inspection yesterday morning to the Army Ordnance offices, the arsenal, and the magazines.

The match at Happy Valley yesterday between Hongkong Football Club and "C" Co. R.W.F. resulted in a win for the Fusiliers by one goal to nil.

The police report the capture of a gang of men who went on board a Canton sailing junk as passengers and when they reached Deep Bay took possession of the craft and robbed the owners of about \$90.

For having in his possession without a licence 5 pistols and 35 boxes of rifle ammunition at Yauwatt, Chan Fun, a line carrier, was by the Magistrate yesterday sentenced by Mr. J. H. Kemp to pay a fine of \$50 or suffer two months' hard labour.

The Filipino General Isidoro Torres, who was arrested last September in Manila and taken to Hailung, where he was tried for murder, was sentenced by a commission to be hanged, but the reviewing authority discovered a doubt in the case, gave General Torres the benefit of that doubt, disapproved the sentence, and ordered the accused to be released.

At the Magistrate yesterday Gunner Edward Griffiths and Michael F. Bygon, R. A., and Private Pryce Pugh, R. W. F., were again brought before Mr. Hazeland on the charge of having robbed Sumner Dass, a Parsee tailor, of \$50 at Shek Tongtsai on Sunday night. Griffiths was sentenced to two months' and Bygon to one month's hard labour. Pugh was discharged.

Surgeon-General Robert Harvey, C.B., D.S.O., Hon. Surgeon to the Viceroy and Director-General of the Indian Medical Service, died at Simla on the 1st inst. of peritonitis. In him the Government of India loses one of its ablest officers. General Harvey was 59 years of age, and entered the Bengal Service in 1855. He served in several expeditions and obtained his D. S. O. in the Miranzai Expedition of 1891.

Richard Curtis, the warder who absconded from Victoria Gaol on 22nd October taking with him \$297 belonging to the warders' mess, was brought before Mr. F. A. Hazeland at the Police Court yesterday and sentenced to six months' hard labour. The excuse he offered to the Magistrate was that the money with the exception of one \$50 note was lost while he was in hospital and that, afraid of the consequences, he ran away to Shanghai, intending to get work there and refund the money.

The number of Staff Corps officers to be sent from India to South Africa is fifteen. The following are the officers selected from the Punjab Command: Lieutenant-Colonel Govor, 2nd Punjab Cavalry; Captain Lukin, 9th Bengal Lancers; Captain Corlett, 13th Bengal Lancers; Captain Stewart, Guides Cavalry; Lieutenant Deane, 12th Cavalry, and Lieutenant McQueen, 20th Punjab Infantry. A considerable number of British Infantry and subalterns will also be sent for Mounted Infantry duty.

A curious rumour comes from Hlangon of a mysterious disappearance of a whole Burmese family. A family of five members, it appears, were in the habit of offering gifts to two "Nats," the Ooshingyee and Komyoshin, giving preference to the latter. On this occasion the family favoured the Ooshingyee, and when offerings were placed on the altar the father went out to get some flowers that were close at hand, followed by the other four, but all of them have since been reported as missing. The story goes that the Komyoshin Nat was vexed for having been so slighted and did away with the whole family.

From an advertisement in another column it will be noticed that the Hongkong Benevolent Society have decided to hold a subscription dance on the 24th of January next. Tickets will cost \$5 each and can be obtained from Mrs. Forbes, East Point, or from members of the Committee of the Society. Hitherto the annual method of raising funds for carrying on the work of this most deserving local organisation has been in the form of a concert, and the present idea of giving a dance is a happy one and likely to be well supported. We trust every success will attend the efforts of the ladies who have the matter in hand.

A smart piece of work has just been performed by the Army Clothing Factory, at Alipur, says a *Calcutta* telegram. An order for 800 khaki serge coats and 800 pairs of trousers for a regiment proceeding to South Africa was received by the department at 2 p.m. on Saturday, the 30th November. The regiment had already got as far as Bombay, so no time was to be lost. One of the European subordinates went off to the neighbouring villages to collect tailors, and went on his bicycle, taking a native boy seated on a pad on the handlebars in front to show the way. By dusk the factory was in full working order and at 8 a.m. on Monday the whole 1,600 garments were ready, packed, and sent off to the railway station, whence they were despatched by the same day's mail train to Bombay for delivery to the regiment.

The debris of the Oriental Hotel was sold by auction at Yokohama on the 29th ult. The electric light plant brought 1,300 yen, the contents of the building 475 yen, and the ruins 19 yen.

At a banquet in Manila on the 8th inst. to Acting Governor Wright and General Chaffee, the former, in the course of a speech on his experiences as a newspaper-man, advised the Manila Press to use caution in dealing with public affairs.

A *Calcutta* telegram dated the 20th November says:—News is coming in of terrible havoc caused by the cyclone at the mouth of the Hooghly river. A tidal wave six feet high, followed by the storm, swept away several villages, destroying standing crops.

A Note on the constitution of the new Imperial Cadet Corps has been published in *Calcutta*. Sir Pertab Singh is Honorary Commandant; Major Watson is Commandant; and Captain Cameron is British Adjutant. The Cadets include four ruling chiefs.

The last three days of the week ending the 7th December were marked by record weather in Manila, the thermometer falling lower than for many years past. The lowest temperature dropped to during the three days was 36.6, while the average for the month of December in those latitudes is 65.6.

II. E. Yuan Shikai has been endeavouring to arrange for the discontinuance of the Provisional Government at Tientsin being dealing with the Manchurian question. He met with strong opposition from the British and German Ministers, and had to leave for Peking without having succeeded in his object.

The Glasgow International Exhibition, which closed on Saturday, the 9th November, more than realised the hopes of its promoters. During the six months it was open 11,496,230 visitors were recorded—a number double that of the exhibition of 1893. The concluding day saw a record attendance of 173,236. It is estimated that the free surplus will exceed £100,000.

The 20th U. S. Infantry had a sharp engagement on the 7th inst. at Lobo, Batangas. They stormed a fortification and routed the Filipinos, losing three killed and inflicting heavy damages. The natives have been fleeing from Batangas and Laguna provinces, all the ports having been closed on the 10th inst. after the expiration of the last day of grace appointed by the American authorities.

SUPREME COURT

Wednesday, 18th December.

IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE
(ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE).

THEFT BY A POST OFFICE SERVANT.
Lam Hoi was charged with having on 23rd November, while employed by the Post Office, stolen certain correspondence, a package, the property of the Postmaster General, containing \$205. He pleaded guilty.

The Attorney General (Hon. W. Meigh Goodman, K.C.J.) stated that the accused while in the employment of the Post Office had a salary of about \$10 a month. He seemed to have had the opening of the mail-bags sent from Canton, and among the correspondence was this package that he stole. The money it contained seemed to have provided a temptation which was too much for him. He stole the letter and spent the money in riotous living for a few days. Then he was arrested. At first he pleaded not guilty, but now he admitted the charge.

His Lordship said that recently he made a remark that he thought it rather a pity that coolies with \$10 a month should hold such responsible positions in the Post Office. It was a temptation to them. Something had gone wrong last month, too, and it transpired then that coolies ran the show. You could not expect to get very much for \$10.

The Attorney General remarked that there was no doubt poor supervision, but at the same time there had to be better-carriers to carry the letters and these men always had opportunities of stealing them if they chose.

His Lordship—He has been long in the service.

Interpreter—Twenty months.
His Lordship—He has pleaded guilty, and the serious part of it is that he is a public servant in a position of trust. If all the coolies in these positions went and did the same thing there would be an end to correspondence altogether. I think under the circumstances it will be sufficient if I pass sentence of two years' hard labour.

THE WANCHAI TRAGEDY.
Ng Fuk and his wife Pang Kung were charged with causing the death of a man in their eating house at Wanchai on the 26th November.

They pleaded not guilty and were defended by Mr. M. W. Slade, barrister-at-law, instructed by Mr. J. Hays, solicitor.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs W. H. Russell, J. M. Graess, E. J. Moss, F. Lane, J. H. T. McMurtrie, G. H. Dunn, and E. Miron.

The Attorney General stated that the deceased man went into the eating house of the accused at 7, Tai Wong Lane on the day in question and ordered and ate some pieces of beef, worth about four shah each. When it came to the paying of the meal there was a dispute as to how many pieces of beef he had eaten. The deceased said two or three, and the prisoners alleged four. As the customer went to leave the shop Ng Fuk seized him by the queue, threw him down and stamped on his abdomen with his naked feet as he lay on the ground. The woman was said to have assisted in the attack and struck the man with a broom handle. The assaulted man died of a ruptured spleen. His spleen was of abnormal size. Now the woman said that she struck the deceased with the broom handle and that her husband was not there at all. This suggestion the man naturally accepted. It looked as if she was willing to shield the man by taking the blame upon herself.

Evidence was then led, the first witness being Dr. Bell, who described the character of the deceased man's injuries.
After hearing further evidence, the jury returned a unanimous verdict of not guilty, and the prisoners were discharged.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

LONDON, 16th December.

LOUIS BOTHA REPORTED WOUNDED.

It is reported that Commandant Louis Botha has been severely shot below the left knee, and that he escaped capture by crawling into the bush.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY—ENGLAND TO NEWFOUNDLAND.

Signor Marconi, now at St. Johns, Newfoundland, states that he has received through wires, raised 400 feet by kites, faint wireless signals from a powerfully equipped station near Penzance, Cornwall.

LONDON, 16th December.

ISTHMIAN CANAL TREATY RATIFIED.

The United States Senate has ratified the new Isthmian Canal Treaty.

THE MANCHURIAN QUESTION.

Great Britain, America, and Japan are exerting strong pressure upon China to procure the submission to them of any treaty concerning Manchuria before signature. Japan has notified the Chinese Government that she will require equivalents for all advantages given to Russia in Manchuria.

SWATOW.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

Swatow, 16th December.

AN INTERESTING LOTTERY CASE.

A certain (or rather, as he is not known, an uncertain) Chinaman started recently a fictitious lottery, the drawing of which, as printed on the tickets, is supposed to take place in Manila, Cuba (*etc.*). Lists of the monthly drawings were daily issued, but no winning numbers ever reached this port. Had it not been for an oversight on the part of the "management" of the said lottery, the latter would have still found many dupes to purchase its fraudulent tickets. It so happened that a Chinaman here possessed a ticket which should have drawn the third prize, amounting to \$5,000. On presenting the ticket to the people from whom he bought it, payment was refused. With a view of obtaining his money the holder of the ticket handed it to a Singapore Chinaman and asked him to use his best endeavours to make the people concerned in the lottery pay. *En passant*, I may state that this Singapore man is supposed to be a very questionable character. He keeps a school for teaching the English language, of which he has but a very inferior knowledge, to the Chinese. Without knowing the details of the lottery case in question, this man, relying on his British nationality, wrote an official letter to the local Shien, informing him that a certain Lim San Tee had sold to him a lottery ticket which had won the third prize and which the latter refused to pay. In his letter to the Shien he went on to say that he had acquainted the British Consul with the facts of the case and he therefore petitioned the Shien to enforce the payment of the \$5,000. This Chinese official took for granted the statement, which I am assured is an utter falsehood, and incarcerated Lim San Tee pending further enquiries. The latter's brother, who is a merchant in Hongkong, on hearing of the arrest, came up to effect his release.

CONSULAR INTERVENTION.
This merchant on his arrival from Hongkong made every investigation into the affair, forwarded to the British Consul an epitome of the case, and further informed him that the whole is the outcome of some trouble existing between two different clans, to one of which his captive brother belonged. He therefore appealed to the Consul to prevail upon the Shien to set his brother free. But it was all without avail. At the request of H. M. Consul the Shien held a sort of a cross-examination, and although he could not adduce any proof as to who sold and who bought the ticket in question, he still keeps Lim San Tee in prison and now demands \$3,000, not as a fine nor as compensation for the suspected fraud, but as a mere squeeze, which the Shien considers as a matter of course perquisite. Lim San Tee and his brother, although well-to-do, both strenuously refuse to comply with the Shien's demand and intend bringing the matter before the Taotai or eventually before the Viceroy at Canton. Disregarding the fact of the exposure of the fictitious lottery, this incident offers a valuable lesson to those who clamour for the abolishment of the extraterritorial rights which the foreigners enjoy in China.

LOCAL FESTIVITIES.
The first dance this season was given by the members of the Customs Club, in their Hall, on Saturday the 14th inst., at which most of the foreign residents attended. Dancing commenced at 9 p.m. and was continued, with a short interval, until about 2 o'clock the following morning, when the company, after spending a most enjoyable time, broke up and departed. The bachelor fraternity, as is usual on such occasions, did not leave before 4 a.m.

The members of the Kiatat Club are also giving a Ball, on the promise of their Club, on Friday the 20th inst., which promises to be a great success.
The cases of plague reported at Newchwang from the 30th October to the 13th ult. number twenty-five. Of these one was a Russian and the remainder Chinese. Since the first case was reported at Newchwang the total number of cases was 59 Chinese and 1 Russian, with 57 deaths. The Russian case was the master of a military band. In searching his residence after his death eight dead rats were discovered under the floor.

THE PATTERSON CASE IN MANILA.

On the 9th inst., before the Supreme Court at Manila, for the first time Mr. Patterson was allowed to testify in his own behalf. Upon the usual preliminary questions being answered he stated that as he was a British subject he felt that it was incumbent upon him to refuse to take any oath that would bind him in any way to any foreign country; that he did not dispute the authority of the Collector of Customs and that it was his desire and determination, and always had been, to keep within the requirements of the law. When cross-questioned by Attorney-General Wilfley as to his reasons for leaving the ship in Mr. Fiske Warren's launch instead of following out the usual programme and going ashore on the launch belonging to the Travellers' Transfer Company, Mr. Patterson said:—"I did not then and do not now intend to defeat the law in any way. All I have to see to is that my allegiance to my native land is not interfered with." At Judge Willard's suggestion, the Attorney-General asked the petitioner what his reasons were for going off in Mr. Fiske Warren's launch, and he answered that it was only a matter of course arising out of his long acquaintance with Mr. Warren. He said that he had been assured by the American Consul at Hongkong that there would be no difficulty in landing in Manila, and that he would not be required to take the oath.

The case resolved itself into the following points:—"First, whether or not the Civil Commission has the power to pass laws regulating the commerce of these islands. It is contended by the attorneys for the petitioner that it has not, while on the other hand Mr. Wilfley has said: 'The Civil Commission represents the President of the United States in these islands, and I do not believe that it is within the jurisdiction of this court at the present time to make any ruling contrary to what the President desires done. He has the authority from Congress to act in this manner, and therefore I cannot see that legitimate grounds exist for any one to contest or dispute the right of the Civil Commission to act as a sovereign body so long as it represents the President and he represents the people and the government of the United States.'

"Second—Whether or not the authority of the Collector of Customs ceases upon the landing of an alien in Manila. It is the contention of Messrs. Davis and Cohn that the minute Patterson stepped on Philippine soil he was no longer responsible to Mr. Shuster; but the government holds that this contention is a mere technicality and although there may be some good grounds for bringing it up, it has no vital influence on the decision of the Court."

Mr. Wilfley offered several examples illustrating this stand. Among them was the following:—"Suppose a smuggler should come into this port and effect a landing unknown to the Collector of Customs. Would that smuggler be beyond his jurisdiction the minute he reached the shore, or would Mr. Shuster have the right to confiscate his goods and place him under arrest?"

Mr. Wilfley also contended that inasmuch as Mr. Patterson, through ignorance or other reasons, failed to comply with the law in regard to landing in Manila, he was therefore directly accountable to the Collector of Customs for his act. He said: "Had he come ashore as he should in the launch designated by the government as the proper launch for him to ride in, there can be no doubt but what he would have been required to take the oath before leaving the Customs House, and it is his negligence on the part of Mr. Shuster that the question was not given Mr. Patterson at the time. Mr. Shuster sends his inspectors on board all incoming ships. Their work on board is merely casual, and they have nothing to do with cases such as this one. The pass that Mr. Patterson received merely entitled him to the right to leave the ship on board the Travellers' Company's launch. If there was to have been any further inspection he would have heard of it upon landing."

Attorney Charles A. Davis, associate of Attorney Cohn in the defense of Mr. Patterson, contended in his closing argument that Act No. 265 is *ultra vires*, beyond the scope of its powers—four by reason. The two reasons advanced by Mr. Davis are as follows:—

First—That the act is a violation of the treaties now existing between the United States and Great Britain.

Second—That the said act belongs to a class of acts decided by the United States Supreme Court to be acts regulating commerce and therefore void because the power to pass such an act is distinctly within the jurisdiction of Congress and no other body.

Mr. Davis quoted extensively from various legal authorities in support of the two above cited grounds and argued forcefully from his viewpoint. He said: "It was never intended that the Civil Commission should pass or have the power to pass any laws other than local laws for the government of these islands."

The Supreme Court adjourned after a two hours' session and gave out their decision as follows:—"The case of the writ of *habeas corpus*, issued on petition of Thomas Toyo Patterson, having been heard and submitted for decision, the Supreme Court of the Philippine Islands, resolved by a majority vote to dismiss the writ and to order the petitioner responsible for the costs of same." Judge Cooper was the only member of the Court to dissent from this decision. *The Manila Times* says:—"Now that the Supreme Court has refused to grant the writ of *habeas corpus*, there is some interesting speculation in progress as to the further developments in the case. It seems to be the general trend of opinion that Patterson backed up by Fiske Warren, the Boston lawyer and insurgent sympathiser who is now in these islands, will endeavour to find some other way in which to contest the action of the government in enjoining him to make him take the oath of allegiance. It is even said that Patterson will, if he has not already done so, appeal to the government of Great Britain and possibly to the authorities at Washington. Certainly, at the present time he has no recourse in the courts of these islands."

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Imperial German Mail steamer *Prinz Heinrich* carrying the German mails with passengers from Berlin of the 25th ult. left Colombo on the 17th inst. and may be expected here on about the 23rd inst.

The O.P.R. steamer *Empress of China* arrived at Yokohama at 1 p.m. on the 17th inst. and left again at 4 p.m. same day for Kobe, where she was due to arrive at 8 p.m. on the 18th inst.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Kawachi Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst. and is expected to arrive here on the 22nd inst.

The N.P. steamer *Cloverleaf* arrived at Tacoma from Japan and Hongkong on the 19th inst.

The N.P. steamer *Queen Adelaide* arrived at Vladivostok on the 17th inst.

The Indo-China steamer *Leizang*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 17th inst. at 1 p.m.

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS CO., LD.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the seventeenth ordinary general meeting, to be held at the Company's registered offices, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, on Friday, the 27th day of December, at twelve o'clock noon:—

The net profits for the twelve months, after paying charges and all running expenses and making provision for Auditors' fees amount to \$36,142.89. To which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account \$3,111.77

And from this has to be deducted remuneration to General Managers (5 per cent. on gross earnings) \$3,995.76

Leaving available for appropriation \$35,258.90

Your General Managers and Consulting Committee recommend that a dividend of 816 per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$30,000; that \$5,000 be written off rolling stock and \$1,358.48 off stations and shelters; that \$5,000 be transferred to permanent reserve and the balance, viz., \$3,870.42, be carried to new profit and loss account.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.
Mr. R. K. Leigh having resigned, Mr. J. Orange was invited to fill the vacancy, and accepted a seat on the Board. In accordance with Rule 15 of the Company's Articles of Association, the present members, Messrs. C. E. Evans, C. W. Dickson and J. Orange, retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.
In the absence of Mr. Fullerton Henderson from the Colony, the accounts have been audited by Mr. W. H. Potts and Mr. W. H. Gaskell. Mr. Henderson and Mr. Potts offer themselves for re-election.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 16th December, 1901.

The following are the accounts:—
BALANCE SHEET.
For the year ending 30th November, 1901.

LIABILITIES.	\$	c.
Capital account: 1,250 shares of \$100 each	125,000.00	
fully paid up	125,000.00	
Permanent reserve fund	15,000.00	
Undivided dividends	940.00	
Local and general liabilities	10,390.93	
Profit and loss: brought forward \$3,111.77 for current year \$3,142.89	39,258.90	
Total	\$199,485.05	

ASSETS.	\$	c.
Permanent way, construction and deed of grant	123,000.00	
Stations, Crown leaseholds, and buildings (Inland Lots 1,317, 1,332, 1,333, 1,334, 1,335, 1,336 and E.B. Lot 85)	13,338.48	
Balling stock	35,149.43	
Furniture account	125.00	
Coals and stores in hand	404.65	
Accounts receivable	82,068.09	
Cash in H. & S. Bank	\$14,639.17	
Cash and imprest orders	1,149.02	
Total	\$199,485.05	

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Dr.	\$	c.
To salaries and wages	10,322.00	
To charges	2,311.10	
To maintenance and repairs	8,373.85	
To coals and stores	7,092.61	
To interest	257.48	
To rates, Chow tax, and fire insurance	908.21	
To godown and station rent	354.00	
Loss sundry rents received	1,745.00	
To office rent and clerks' salaries, &c.	3,000.00	
To balance	\$3,254.06	
Total	\$39,258.90	

Cr.	\$	c.
By amount brought forward from last year	3,111.77	
By transfer from	1.00	
By trade receipts for the year to date	79,015.13	
Total	\$82,127.90	

THE DAIRY FARM CO., LD.

An adjourned extraordinary general meeting of the Dairy Farm Co., Ltd., was held yesterday afternoon at the office, 2, Albert Road for consideration of the following resolution:—"That the figures in Article No. 10, Clause 15, of the Articles of Association of the Company be altered to read \$150,000 (Fifteen hundred thousand dollars)." Captain A. Tillett presided and there were also present Mr. W. H. Wickham, Mr. E. H. Hinds, Mr. G. Walker (manager), Mr. R. P. Moffitt (secretary), and Mr. Ling Wong.

The Secretary having read the notice calling the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen, This meeting is convened for the purpose of considering a proposal to increase the directors' fees from \$100 to \$150 per annum. Your directors feel that the increase is bringing forth this proposal, as the conducting of the Company's business occupies a considerable amount of their time, and \$100 is no way compensates for the work done; for apart from Board meetings, there are a number of important matters to be considered, and decided by the directors. I might mention, that when the Company's affairs were put in so satisfactory a state as they are at present, the directors performed their duties gratis, but now that things are in a more flourishing condition, they feel that the labour is worthy of this hire. The motion before the meeting, therefore, is, that Article 10, Clause 15, of the Company's Articles of Association, be altered to read \$150,000. Before asking for a second, I shall be glad to answer any questions.

INSURANCES

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHATELAIN.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1897.

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FOUNDED 1710.

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NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1900, £14,732,681.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £3,000,000 0 0

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 2,750,000 0 0

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 687,500 0 0

II. FIRE FUNDS, £3,376,14 4

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SHAW, TOMES & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd July, 1901.

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SIEMSEN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 29th May, 1895.

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

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SIEMSEN & CO. Agents.

Hongkong, 16th November, 1892.

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SPORT AND ANECDOTE.

BY AN OLD FOEY.

IRISH ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

An Irishman is nothing if not sanguine. This national characteristic is nowhere more forcibly exemplified than in the matches of Association football played by the small section of the population who have adopted what the young man at Oxford has christened "Soccer." Season after season the Hibernians measure their strength and skill against the teams of the sister countries in these islands, and very rarely indeed do they receive the slightest encouragement. Let us momentarily glance at some figures, the first and last resort of the sporting writer; for statistics, properly handled, prove more than columns of argument. Since 1882, when Ireland first played England, there have been twenty matches, of which the Saxons have won 19, and one has been drawn, while of the eighteen struggles with Scotland, the Celts have triumphed in seventeen and one has resulted in a tie of three goals each. Thus the sons of Erin have never had the pleasure of a victory against Englishmen and Scotchmen. When meeting Wales they have had a little more encouragement, for of the twenty international games with the Principality they have been the winners of six, while Wales has proved victorious in eleven, three having been drawn. These have all been fixtures decided under the auspices of the Irish Football Association, which was founded in 1880, and is this year therefore celebrating its majority. Summarising the form, I find that Ireland have participated in 58 matches against England, Wales and Scotland, and have been beaten on 47 occasions. The Hibernians have won six games, all against Wales, and five have been drawn. In the matter of goals their position is pitiable, for the three countries have registered 274, and the Paddies only 64. But in 1890-91 the Irish League was founded with a membership of eight clubs, and their little band has had the tenacity to throw down the gauntlet to the English and Scottish Leagues. With what result? They have played eight games with the English League, and have won seven of them and drawn the other fixture, while in goals the English Leaguers have netted 37, as against nine. Ireland have encountered the Scottish League eight times, and here they have gained a success, for in the first struggle between them the Irish prevailed by 3-2. That was in 1893, and is the only League international to give them reason for joy, while in the matter of goals they are in a minority of 30 to 7. Thus, taking the whole series of matches under both the Association and the League, Ireland have been beaten 61 times, have gained seven triumphs, and six games have been drawn, while they have been overwhelmed in scoring by 341 goals to 80. Surely nothing could more plainly demonstrate the poverty-stricken character of "Soccer" in Erin's Isle. The wonder to me is that the Irishmen keep on playing the full strength of the other countries. They must be large hearted, spirited sportsmen, who in the main love the pastime for the fun they can get out of it. Of course, Association football in Ireland is very much a matter of geography, for outside Belfast and County Antrim "Rugger" holds sway. There is a little Association played in counties Down and Derry, and a club in Dublin known as "the Bohemians," but on the whole the Rugby game predominates, and several times have the handling division carried off the championship of the United Kingdom.

THE TEAM THAT TRASHED IRELAND.

These remarks are called forth by the fact that the Irish League met the English on the ground of the Woolwich Arsenal Club. Flattered, last Saturday, when the Englishmen were the conquerors by no fewer than nine goals to none. This is a record score in my inter-League match ever played, although not the severest thrashing Ireland have ever received, for that was 13-0 in 1892 at Belfast by England. But when one looks at the composition of the English team there is hardly any occasion for wonder at such ample margins as nine clear goals. The forward rank would not disgrace England against Scotland, for young Goldard, of Glasgow, is very fast and clever as outside right. A native of Stockport, he has been coached by John Goodall, and is worth a place in any League team in the country, while his partner was Bloomer, a Cradley Heath man by birth, who has had a phenomenal career. As a lad he began to play as a professional for the sum of 7s. 6d. per week. Every possible honour has been accorded him, for there is no sharper shooter in the country the equal of Bloomer. Hogan's goals from any angle, and his shots are of such brilliance that any experienced spectator recognises them as from the foot of Bloomer without looking at the man himself. I saw an instance of this when the Germans met the professionals of England at Manchester. In the second half, I think, a lovely goal was scored against the Teutons. One gentleman, a very experienced judge of the game, declared that this was obtained by Calvey, but the President of the League, who sat by the speaker's side, asserted that although he did not see the actual shot he felt that this must have been made by Bloomer, because no other man in England could have registered such a goal with such a brilliant ball. After the match, as there was so much division of opinion, he asked Calvey and Bloomer—and sure enough, the latter was the artist who did the trick. On Saturday Bloomer found the net four times, and it is still impossible to leave him out of any representative eleven. Bloomer joined the Derby County Club in 1893, and received his first cap against Ireland in 1895. Nor must we forget, reverting to the English team last Saturday, that William Wood, of Bury, was in the centre. This is the player whom the Bury club preferred in that

position to McLuckie, whom they transferred to Aston Villa, when the latter transferred a matter of £2400 to Bury. Now Wood is just a working man from Middleton, but he is a desperately hard player, and a fine shot near goal. The left wing consisted of Woodbridge, of the Wolverhampton Wanderers, and Wharton, of Small Heath. The former is a typical Black-country youth, and with only twelve months' experience of first-class football, he is almost sure of his international cap next spring. He notched three goals and generally manages to obtain one for the "Wolves" in a League match. Quite a sprinter down the wing is Sydney Wharton, who came out of a Wesleyan Sunday school team. He is very likely to gain honours this season from the Football Association, for I cannot think of a finer outside left. To my mind he is a much cleverer player than Fred Blackburn, of the Blackburn Rovers, a youth from the village of Meller, who played outside left for England against Scotland last spring. Fred Blackburn is the sturdier of the two, and possibly the pluckier, for he never shirked contact at the Crystal Palace in March with the burly Barney Battles, of the Glasgow Celtic; but he has not the phenomenal pace on the ball that distinguishes Wharton. It was his speed that gained Wharton his position in the Small Heath team, for he takes all kinds of passes with wonderful facility. Never hesitating a second, Wharton dashes away with the ball at his toe just like a greyhound released from the leash. Then he centres like a flash of lightning, right into goal. I may be wrong, but in these respects I do not think I have seen so smart a forward on the left wing since Mr. H. A. Cusumani, of Notts County, was in his prime in the early eighties, and that is a long time ago. Then the defence of the English League team was fast, and moreover, was not without weight. Of course, weight is not everything in football, as some players seem to think, or else eleven brawny draymen would require a lot of beating. The Irishmen sadly disappointed themselves, for they honestly creased over from Holyhead expecting to give a good game to their antagonists. But I think that George, the ex-soldier, who keeps goal for Aston Villa, and was never tested in this match, fromonger, Bloomer, Wood, Woodbridge, and Wharton are worth their place in any eleven. Here is a backbone for England, so that Ireland need not be ashamed of their failure.

THE FOOTBALL LEAGUE "TOURNEY."

The football season is creeping along, and Sunderland still remain at the head of the First Division clubs in the English League, but they met with a disaster on Saturday at Stoke, who triumphed over the Wearside by 3-0, in the presence of 11,000 people, including Lord James of Hereford, Lord Burton, and some eminent King's Counsel, who were engaged in an important Government enquiry by the Home Office as to the conditions of labour in the Potteries. These learned and distinguished gentlemen deemed it advisable to adjourn for their health's sake, and straightway repaired to the football ground. This is not surprising in Lord James of Hereford, for he has been a patron of the Bury Club, has presented the English Cup in the final at the Crystal Palace, and has been president of the Marylebone Cricket Club. The incident of the Court adjourning reminds me of the old story told of Baron Martin, who was on circuit many years ago at Liverpool when the Grand National was to be run. The Baron was at his wife's end to find a reason for adjourning the Court on the eventful day, but it is narrated that a certain sporting barrister who was in the secret discovered that it was the birthday of some comparatively obscure member of the Royal family. He suggested that the Court should rise to duly honour this important natal anniversary. And the Court did rise, and Baron Martin saw the Grand National. After all, peers and judges are only human, aren't they? Lord James and his friends saw a grand game in which Sunderland were completely overplayed. Moreover, I bid you notice that Stoke won by a combination of amateur and professional talent. Leonard Hales is a young gentleman of Chester, his father being the manager of an important canal system. But Hales does not regard a paid player as a blackguard, and regularly turns out with Stoke, to the advantage of the team and the professionals. A most unselfish and clever youth, he is in the habit of creating the openings for his comrades and then tipping the ball to them to do the rest. By this means Watkins scored two goals and Lockart one. Watkins, who hails from Oswestry, is a bit of a Welshman, and a lad of only 21, he has a future as a player. Deigh had no chance whatever with his second shot, but the spectators were roused to a state of frenzy. Deigh never had three goals scored against him in any League match last season, but this autumn the Wolverhampton Wanderers have beaten him four times and Stoke thrice in two matches. My reason in drawing particular attention to this is that Sunderland is a team which relies mainly on Scotsmen, as I told you when writing a few weeks ago, and their three defeats in the League "tourney" this season have all been from clubs which rely mainly on men born south of the Border. First of all they were conquered by the "Wolves" who are playing Englishmen only, while Bury next administered a drubbing to the cracks, and their only Caledonian hireling is Montgomery, the goalkeeper. Stoke have eclipsed both of them. Now their team consisted of Roose (goal) and Meredith (full-back), who are Welshmen, Clarke, the other full-back from the Heart of Midlothian, and eight Englishmen, most of whom were born in the district. I have no ill-feeling against Scotsmen, but I have always held that it would have been for the benefit of English football if the League had restricted the players to Englishmen. But the Scots are slowly but surely dying out of football south of the Tweed, for on the first Saturday of the present month 127

Englishmen and only 65 Scotsmen played in the English League competition. And yet some clubs from the land o' cakes are very good men. As an instance, take R. S. McColl, who was largely instrumental in Newcastle United beating Manchester City on Saturday by 3-0, while Aston Villa have never lost a match since McLuckie tripped on to the Aston Lower Grounds in a maroon jersey. The League championship is quite an open affair yet, and if Aston Villa come up hand over hand do not be surprised.

DEATHS OF TWO CELEBRITIES.

To our eternal shame we often hear of poverty-stricken military heroes dying within the walls of a workhouse, but not often is this the experience of a famous all-England cricketer. The news is now somewhat belated, but I cannot refrain from expressing my surprise that John Jackson, the famous fast bowler of the fifties and the early sixties, should have been allowed to die in the Brownlow Hill Workhouse Infirmary, where he succumbed to pneumonia. Some people may think that F. B. Spofforth was the original "demon" bowler—but bless your soul, John Jackson was the famous fast bowler of the fifties when the celebrated Australian was a tiny tot of seven, and had not begun to pass a couple of nights about plotting and planning how to get the Englishmen out. New John Jackson was the natural son of a gentleman, and was born at Bungay, in Suffolk. Removing to Notts when he was a boy, he picked up his cricket on the Southwell ground under the Tinlows. He came under the eye of—but still the all-seeing eye—of William Clarke, who played him for Notts in 1855. The result was wonderful, for in 1857 Jackson took 331 wickets, in 1858 359, in 1859 346, in 1860 227, in 1861 232, and in 1862 335. Now the only man who has ever had such a series of successes as these in any two consecutive seasons is our friend Spofforth, for in 1878 he captured 357 wickets, and in 1879 391 victims. Now, strange to say, old Jackson thought this modern bowler quite as good as any in his day, especially remembering the difference in the wickets. Moreover, he considered the present day batsman quite as able as those when he was in his prime, while there are more of them nowadays. Jackson was one of the finest of the old school of cricketers, and he helped to found the game in America and Australia. In his heyday he was never provident of money or careful of his physique, and he had a wearisome old age, existing as best he could on a few shillings a week. I cannot help thinking that the Notts Club might have made him an allowance each week. Jackson was a fast bowler, and "went the pace" in other ways. Poor fellow, he suffered for it. Another death which is sure to cause discussion is that of Mr. R. Culme-Seymour, the old Etonian, who stroked Oxford University in the last boat race when the dark blues won the greatest race on record by two-fifths of a length. I suppose it will be contended that the severe preparation and the searching training to which a University oarsman is subjected undermines his constitution, but this I do not believe if a man is at all sound to begin with. So long ago as 1873 Dr. J. E. Morgan, the eminent physician of Manchester, wrote a big book called "University Oars"—a critical enquiry into the after-effects of the men who rowed for Oxford and Cambridge in the boat race between 1829 and 1869, and this based on the reference of the rowers themselves. Dr. Morgan proves conclusively that the many and health-giving exercise of rowing had often been unjustly assailed on this account. This is a very abstruse physiological problem, and I can only now say that the volume is most convincing of the benefit of rowing. Mr. Culme-Seymour, managed, I believe, to catch cold, while out shooting, and pneumonia supervened. Alas, poor young man, he was determined and plucky to a degree. He deserved a better fate.

THE BILLIARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Just a line as to the professional championship of billiards, for the Association which controls the game and the players so far as it can has this week been awarded the championship to H. W. Stevenson, who has had a "walk over" owing to Charles Dawson refusing to play on November 11th, or to name an early date when he could meet his rival. This is the second time this year that Stevenson has taken up the title, but of late there has been an uneasy squabble, and Dawson has not to my mind come well out of the disagreement. The Association helped largely to make Dawson and bolster him up against John Roberts. Having assumed his position as a contestant, and having drawn most of the money which the Association paid to its champion—£2 a week as a brassard—Dawson turns round and repudiates both the Association and scorns their championship. I don't blame Dawson in one way, for these evading squabbles in the world of billiards arise from the fact that the game is almost entirely in the hands of the table-makers, who are jealous of each other and of the professionals who have an axe to grind of their own. This comes of a sport being governed by the money-making element. If the Billiards Association consisted of a body of aristocrats and gentlemen from the best clubs in the country we should see the professionals subservient and the table-makers left to their own devices. However, all this does not detract from the merits of that most modest of men and polished players, H. W. Stevenson, of Hall and Putney.

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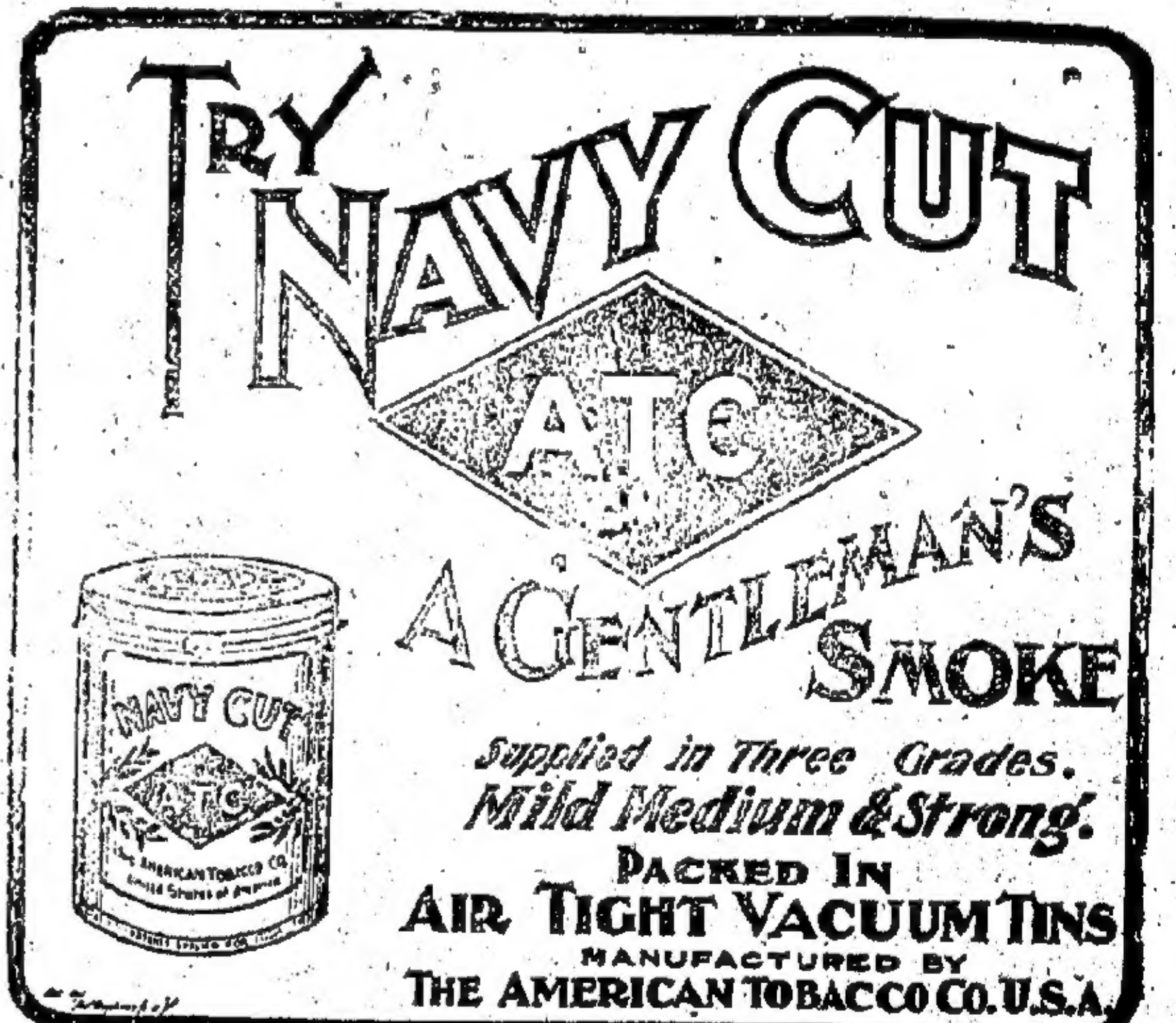
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LONDON	"PELUS"	On 21st January.
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Hongkong, 18th December, 1901. [14]

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